

Progressive Club Meeting 1/5/66

Since no quorum was present, President Dougherty presided at an informal meeting.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Treasury report was presented by V.P. Segmund and approved. Copy attached.

President Dougherty announced progress in efforts to get Marin County to underwrite hepatitis shots for children exposed.

He also announced we could expect the installation of more street lights on Highway 1 in next several months.

Publicity was given the annual meeting of S.B. Community Center on Feb 1, 1966

RW Segmund
Acting Secretary

Progressive Club Treasury Report 1/1/65 to 1/1/66

Cash on hand 1/1/65- 422.14

(Includes 200⁰⁰ contribution
to Special Planning Committee)

Receipts:-

Contributions to Planning Committee - 435⁰⁰

Quess

229.50

Total

1086.64

Expenses:-

784.11

Balance 1/1/66

302.53

(Includes 185⁰⁰ contribution to Special Planning Committee)
" 50⁰⁰ P. Club pledge " " " "

R.W. Sargent
V.P.

Progressive Club Meeting

March 3, 1966

Since no quorum was present, President Dougherty presided at an informal meeting.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read.

Treasury report was presented by Mr. Sigmund.

There was discussion of the need to retain the court at Point Reyes Station and Mr. Dougherty will write the Board of Supervisors.

There was discussion of correspondence from the Fire District regarding house numbers. This had previously been taken up by Pacific Telephone. It was decided to refer the matter to the Zoning Committee for recommendation. The Chairman felt it necessary to develop a club attitude on need for house numbers and method of numbering.

The Secretary was asked to prepare letters to Senator McCarthy and Assemblyman William Bagley stating the club's interest in acquiring the Brazil Sousa Ranch as part of Tamalpais State Park.

There being no further correspondence requiring attention the meeting was adjourned.

Aleta Brownlee
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Secretary

PROGRESSIVE CLUB

Meeting-- April 6, 1966-- 8 PM

The meeting was opened by President Hugh Dougherty. Ten members were present.

The secretary's report of the minutes of the last meeting were read.

The treasurer had no report, but mentioned a few unpaid bills.

The President discussed a questionnaire from the County Planning Commission which he said would reveal attitudes toward planning and could develop a set of local, though unofficial attitudes of the community and provide a guide for internal use of the Club. He announced the reappointment of Ruth Miller as chairman of the Planning and Zoning Committee and referred the questionnaire to her.

The President read a letter from Senator John McCarthy stating his full support of the Frank's Valley acquisition project about which the Club had written him after their last meeting.

No action was taken on a letter from the Mill Valley Junior Chamber of Commerce regarding nomination for a Distinguished Service Award to an outstanding young man in the southern Marin area.

There was brief discussion of the study made by the State Fish and Game Commission of Bolinas Lagoon, now somewhat revised. A copy was filed.

The President raised a question as to how many meetings should be held during the year, since unless there is some major item to come before the Club, meetings have been poorly attended. It was decided to have quarterly meetings in the future, the next to be held in June. More interesting meetings would be planned, possibly with a speaker. A telephone committee would be used to reach the membership, in addition to the regular announcement. It was also decided to raise the due to \$2.00 per person and \$4.00 per family. It was moved, seconded and passed that the officers and two members in good standing will constitute an executive committee to carry on any business coming up between meetings.

The President then asked the secretary to report on a tentative project for a park within the community. She said she had been interested for some time in the lovely wild area approached by a path from the end of Buena Vista St. and ending at the Hubbard property and on the lower end at the Community Center. It is 8.9 acres. It is owned by a Mr. Keller who is now in Hong Kong. She first talked to the President about it and he thought it had merit. She then secured maps, property ownership and taxes from the county assessor's office. She had talked to Mr. Joe Lawrence of the Fire Protection District about the possibility of the 40ft. easement at the upper end becoming a fire road, but he assured her that the road was planned higher up on Mr. Leonard's property. Mr. Peter Joske of the County Park and Recreation Commission had come over and walked through it with Mr. Dougherty and Miss Brownlee. He raised questions as to the availability of state and federal funds for acquisition unless the park would have general use, which might mean parking facilities, toilets and picnic facilities. Miss Brownlee said she had in mind leaving the area much as it is, with trails and no facilities; an untouched wild area which is its charm, much on the order of the primitive areas of the national forests. She thought the idea could be tied to the Wildflower Show which certainly has general interest, and there are many wildflowers in the area. Mr. Joske was invited to the Wildflower Show to see for himself.

Mr. Joske agreed to write the Club in regard to available monies and to see the County Counsel in regard to the plan. The President mentioned several possibilities of financing and asked the members to think it over carefully. He suggested mentioning it in the annual letter and this was agreed upon. It was also decided to discuss it with Mr. Bordenaro who handles the property and would notify the owners of the Club's possible interest.

It was decided that Mr. Leroy Hines be nominated to take the place of Mr. Elting Hubbard as the Club representative on the Board of Directors of the Community Center.

The President announced that on Saturday May 23rd the county assessor will establish a field office at the Community Center to explain the new appraisals and assessments.

It was announced that there will be the usual carnival the weekend of July 4th.

There was discussion of the proposed addition to the firehouse and the President had brought ~~back~~ the plan. Proposed changes will cost about \$15000. The cost will be spread over a period of ten years. The Club decided to approve in principal a long term lease to meet legal requirements.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Secretary

Minutes of Meeting of Progressive Club
of Stinson Beach, held at the Community
Center Oct. 5, 1966 at 8 P.M.

The President, Mr. Hugh Dougherty, presided.

The President dispensed with reading the minutes of the last meeting and with the Treasurer's report. ^{insert} Announcement was made of the following committee appointments:

Executive Committee: Mr. Norman Brockhurst
Miss Helen Walsh

Community Park Committee: Arthur A. Volz
Edw. Z Lewis
Mrs. Barbara Menzies
Mrs. Barbara Shockey
Mrs. Ann Leary
Miss Aleta Brownlee

Anti-Litter Committee : Mr. Bob Langdale
Miss Helen Walsh, Chm
Joyce Moran
Marie Couderc

Nominating Committee: Dorothy Mayfield
Mrs. Ada Marble
Joyce Moran

The program was a panel discussion of the Bolinas Lagoon Development Plan prepared by architect Norman Gilroy for the Bolinas Harbor Commissioners. The Chairman of the panel was Professor Cerwin Mocine of the Department of City and Regional Planning of the University of California, and panelists were David Tirrell, speaking for the Bolinas Branch of the Conservation League, Dr. Knox Finley of Bahia Bolinas, Mr. Jack Herman, President of Audubon Ranch, Mr. Archie Goldberg of the Bolinas Rod and Gun Club, and Mr. Ed. Z. Lewis who read a report from Sherwood Stockwell of the Seadrift Property Owner's Association.

The Chairman of the panel, Professor Mocine, said that change is inevitable and congratulated the Board of Harbor Commissioners on attempting planning for the Lagoon. He said one cannot say what is good or bad in planning and that the people of West Marin must decide what they want to preserve.

Mr. Tirrell said that the Conservation League recommended preserving the special characteristics of the Lagoon and questioned the impact of the proposed plan on the Lagoon area. He said insofar as Audubon Ranch is concerned the plan is recreational rather than educational, and that insofar as fish and wildlife is concerned, the plan proposes a vastly different situation than today. He approved a small craft harbor of refuge but said the Conservation League considered it an error to define at present as extensive development as the plan proposes.

Mr. Lewis, speaking for the Seadrift Property Owners Association, read Mr. Stockwell's paper. This suggested leaving the center of the Lagoon as it is and developing the perimeter. The open character of the Lagoon should be preserved. The destruction of Kent Island would destroy a natural habitat for the birds. He said the proposal involved a major cost with no evidence of demand. He did support a plan for the Lagoon and congratulated the Board of Harbor Commissioners for undertaking one. However, he thought the first plan should be more modest and experimental.

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The secretary made a brief statement on membership and the results of the questionnaire sent with the annual report.

There are now 254 members, including 66 new ones.

Of the 100 answers to the question " Should the community acquire the wooded canyon above the Community Center as a local park, 72 voted " yes" and 28 voted " no." They also voted 60 to 7 that the Progressive Club should undertake the project.

They voted 43 to 4 for four meetings a year and for an executive committee to handle routine matters.

Dr. Finley assured the group of the concern of the Finley family in conservation. He said unless a plan is developed the lagoon as we know it will disappear. He spoke of his interest in developing the land above the lagoon and promised an attractive development. He was pleased with the plan as developed by Mr. Gilroy and said that any plan must be a compromise and not one to preserve the lagoon for any special group.

Mr. Goldsberry said the Rod and Boat Club want to be able to get in and out of the channel mouth at all times. The problem of silt is a problem for bird and fish life. There might be under this plan a serious problem of sewage waste which would require stringent control. In general the Bolinas Rod and Gun Club favors the plan.

Mr. Herman of Audubon Canyon Ranch said he represented 3000 people who have contributed money to the Ranch to preserve an ideal-- conservation of an environment and the life within it. He said there is need to control siltation and to preserve the ecology. He looks upon the ranch as an education center, not yet realized as the first money was used to acquire the property. He deplored the plan for the upper area of the lagoon as inappropriate to bird life.

Points brought out by the panelists and from the floor in the ensuing discussion ~~which~~ included:

What if any, distinctions would be made between sail and power boats ?

Photographs taken 50 years ago show little difference in siltation.

Will the egress of so many boats from the lagoon cause a traffic problem?

Will ranchers follow recommendation of soil conservationists to lessen erosion?

This is a specific plan, not a master plan which would include the watershed.

There is too much in the plan-- it is too detailed.

Professor Mocine closed by saying again that a plan should be measured by the desires of the people concerned.

An announcement was made of the open house of the Stinson Beach Ambulance Corps.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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Secretary

Minutes of Meeting of Progressive Club
of Stinson Beach, Calif. held at the
Community Center Dec. 7, 1966

The Vice President Ralph Sigmund, presided.

The Secretary summarized the minutes of the last meeting.

The Treasurer's report was read. It showed a balance of \$ 235.00.

The Community Park Committee reported that the area desired was being mapped by the County Park and Recreation Department.

The Anti-Litter Committee reported that there had been no recent activity.

The Nominating Committee reported a slate for the coming year, but regrettably, at the last moment, the person selected for President found he could not act.

The chief business of the meeting was in regard to a proposed consolidation or reorganization of police services in the county. A memorandum from President Hugh Dougherty was read relating to this. One proposal, recommended by the City-County Services Committee ~~of~~ calls for a County Service Area covering the entire unincorporated area of the County which would be expected to assume partial financing responsibility for the County Sheriff's budget. The second proposal, recommended by the County Administrator, suggested the general concept of functional consolidation of police services under the County Sheriff.

After discussion of the President's comments; that there is evidence that the cities do pay twice for police services although part of the Sheriff's functions such as the county jail, the civil department etc. are for the benefit of all; that there are inequities as between the cities and the unincorporated areas in income as well as in police services; that the cities enjoy a greater return on sales tax than do the unincorporated areas; that consolidation of police services would shift part of the cities' police burden to the unincorporated areas, but would provide reduced police costs and better service; the members present decided that they were too few to speak for the whole membership, and that they lacked time to refer the proposal to them. The matter was accordingly referred to the executive committee.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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Secretary